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Pointing Fake Gun Gets Local Man Arrested

(REEDSBURG, WI) An intoxicated Reedsburg man was taken into custody after he pointed, what turned out to be, a fake plastic gun at several people early Friday morning.

Friday morning at approximately 12:40am, Reedsburg Police were called to the area of S. Preston for a report a man pointing a handgun at people. Several people had reported that a male had pointed a black semi-automatic handgun at them and had gone into the apartment building or left the area on foot.

Police located the male in a downtown Reedsburg bar and he was taken into custody. A search of the subject revealed a black semi-automatic Airsoft gun. The man, identified as Austin L. Lyons (21), was arrested. A long machete-type knife and brass knuckles were also recovered.

Lyons was transported to the Sauk County Jail where he was held on charges of Endangering Safety by Use of a Dangerous Weapon, Disorderly Conduct and Bailjumping.

As a precaution, the Sauk County Emergency Response Team and Crisis Intervention & Negotiation Team were dispatched. Officers were also assisted by Lake Delton, Baraboo and Wisconsin Dells Police Departments through the Standard Mutual Aid Response Teams callout.

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